

Directorate reconfigures firewalls to conserve security

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ROME, N.Y. — The Air Force Research Laboratory Information Directorate has awarded a \$1,334,600 contract to Telcordia Technologies Inc., of Piscataway, N.J., for development of technology to improve security of large computer networks.

The 30-month agreement is funded by the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency of Arlington, Va.

“We are trying to develop significant new ideas and

principles for the increasingly complex task of network security management of large-scale networks and network services,” said John Maxey, program manager in the directorate’s Defensive Information Warfare Branch. “We are looking at technology to reconfigure computer network ‘firewalls’ based on perceived threats and information that is actually detected which may impact network security.” @